

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend Claims 1 and 11 as follows and add Claim 21:

1. (Currently Amended) A traveling crane(1), comprising:

a superstructure (2) ~~that can~~ structured and arranged to be turned rotated about an upright axis (8, 19) and ~~carries~~ carrying a crane jib with hoisting means,

a truck (4) ~~with a~~ having tracklaying gear (21) that carries the superstructure (2) for translational movement, and

a supporting device (3) ~~with~~ positioned along said upright axis (8, 19) between said superstructure (2) and truck (4) and having several outriggers (14, 17)[,] wherein ~~the support device (3) is~~ arranged to be raised and lowered,

the superstructure (2) ~~as well as the~~ and truck (4) ~~can be turned~~ being individually rotatable relative to the supporting device (3) about ~~an~~ said upright axis (8, 19), and[,]

the supporting device (3) is arranged to raise the truck (4) together with the superstructure (2) such that the truck (4) ~~can be turned~~ is rotated about said upright axis (8, 19) to a new driving direction while said tracklaying gear (21) is lifted off the ground.

2. (Previously Presented) The crane according to claim 1, wherein a first revolving connection (9) is provided between the superstructure (2) and the supporting device (3) and a second revolving connection (24) is provided between the supporting device (3) and the truck (4) such that the superstructure (2) and the supporting device

(3) can be turned relative to the truck (4) independently of one another, and separate drives (10, 20) that can be actuated independently of one another are assigned to each revolving connection (9, 24).

3. (Previously presented) The crane according to claim 1, wherein the first revolving connection (9) and/or the second revolving connection (24) is/are realized in the form of a separable rapid-action coupling.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Previously presented) The crane according to claim 1, wherein the supporting device (3) contacts the ground in points that lie outside the turning radius of the truck (4).

6. (Previously Presented) The crane according to claim 1, wherein a control device (27) for defining a sequence of turning motions of the superstructure (2) and truck (4) is provided in order to steer the crane in a new driving direction, and said control device initially lowers the supporting device (3) and lifts the tracklaying gear (21) of the truck (4) off the ground, then turns the truck (4) in the desired new driving direction while its tracklaying gear (21) is lifted off the ground and ultimately raises the supporting device (3) such that the tracklaying gear (21) once again comes in contact with the ground.

7. (Previously Presented) The crane according to claim 6, wherein the control device (27) is realized in such a way that the superstructure (2) and the truck (4) are not turned in the new driving direction at the same time, and the superstructure (2) is turned in the new driving direction while the supporting device (3) as well as the tracklaying gear (21) of the truck (4) are in contact with the ground and either the truck (4) or the supporting device (3) is already turned in the new driving direction.

8. (Previously presented) The crane according to claim 1, wherein the truck (4) with its tracklaying gear (21) has a total width that amounts to less than 50% of the outside length of the tracks (22) of the tracklaying gear(21).

9. (Previously Presented) The crane according to claim 1, wherein the supporting device (3) comprises a center part (11) as well as a superstructure bearing (25) for rotatably supporting the superstructure (2) and a truck bearing (26) for rotatably supporting the truck (4).

10. (Previously Presented) The crane according to claim 9, wherein the superstructure bearing (25) is realized complementary to the truck bearing (26), and a separable coupling is provided between the superstructure (2) and the center part (11) on one hand and/or between the center part (11) and the truck (4) on the other hand.

11.(Currently Amended) The crane according to claim 9, wherein the center part (11) of the supporting device (3) can is structured and arranged to be placed onto ~~differently configured~~ different trucks (4)[,] ~~in particular trucks with different widths~~

having different configuration or width.

12. (Previously presented) The crane according to claim 10, wherein separable rapid-action couplings (9, 24) are provided between the superstructure (2) and the supporting device (3) on one hand and between the supporting device (3) and the truck (4) on the other hand.

13. (Previously Presented) The crane according to claim 1, wherein the outriggers (14) can be extended transverse to the driving direction in order to widen the ground contact surface, and are pivotally movable outward into an operating position and inward into a driving position about an upright axis.

14. (Previously Presented) The crane according to claim 10, wherein the center part (11) of the supporting device (3) is configured and dimensioned to be placed onto differently configured trucks (4) with different track widths.

15. (Previously presented) The crane according to claim 2, wherein the supporting device (3) is able to raise the truck (4) together with the superstructure (2) such that the truck can be turned while its tracklaying gear (21) is lifted off the ground.

16. (Previously presented) The crane according to claim 3, wherein the supporting device (3) is able to raise the truck (4) together with the superstructure (2) such that the truck can be turned while its tracklaying gear (21) is lifted off the ground.

17. (Previously presented) The crane according to claim 2, wherein the supporting device (3) contacts the ground in points that lie outside the turning radius of the truck (4).

18. (Previously presented) The crane according to claim 3, wherein the supporting device (3) contacts the ground in points that lie outside the turning radius of the truck (4).

19. (Previously presented) The crane according to claim 4, wherein the supporting device (3) contacts the ground in points that lie outside the turning radius of the truck (4).

20. (Previously Presented) The crane according to claim 2, wherein a control device (27) for defining a sequence of turning motions of the superstructure (2) and the truck (4) is provided in order to steer the crane in a new driving direction, and wherein said control device initially lowers the supporting device (3) and lifts the tracklaying gear (21) of the truck (4) off the ground, then turns the truck (4) in the desired new driving direction while its tracklaying gear (21) is lifted off the ground and ultimately raises the supporting device (3) such that the tracklaying gear (21) once again comes in contact with the ground.

21.(new) The crane according to claim 1, wherein said tracklaying gear (21) is rotatably positioned between said outriggers (14, 17) in extended and lowered positioned.